## DIVISION OF OIL, GAS and MINING

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## Criteria for Defining Amendments and Revisions

This policy became effective May 22, 1991

The following policy provides clarification in determining whether a proposed change to a plan should be considered an amendment or a revision under rules R647-4-118 and R647-4-119. A revision is considered a significant change to the approved Notice of Intention or MRP and would require public notice. An amendment is considered to be a less significant change to the Notice of Intention. If the proposed change to the Mining and Reclamation Plan qualifies for three of the four categories discussed below, then the change will be considered a *revision* and addressed under rule R647-4-119. If the proposed change does not fall within three of the categories below, it will be considered an *amendment* and addressed under rule R647-4-118. The determination will be based on the following categories:

	Criteria	Comments
1	The acreage will increase by 50% of the existing acreage or 50 acres, whichever is smaller. For example, if a 10 acre site increases by 5 acres, it would then fall within this category.  NEW GRAND 10THL 477 ACRES	EXIGHNG = 169 ACRES PROPOSAL => 308 ACRES > 50 ACRES > 50% EXISTING ACREAGE YES
2	The surety will increase by 25% of the existing surety or \$50,000, whichever is smaller.  EXISTING SURETY = \$330,400  25% OF EXISTING = \$82,600	SURETY ESTIMATE WIKNOWN  IF \$1,500/ARRE = 7 \$462,000  WHICH IS 7 \$50,000 AND ALSO  7\$52,600.  0 YES
3	The overall additional environmental impacts are considered significant, when compared with impacts already affecting the site. The degree of change would not be negligible. This determination is made after evaluating the impacts to soils, vegetation, hydrology (ground and surface), wildlife, air, or other media.	BLM PREPARING E.A.
4	The impacts proposed in the amendment are significant enough to warrant the need for an opportunity for public comment.	PROJECT ACREAGE INCREASED BY MORE THAN DOUBLE. YES

This proposal is:

an Amendment

a Revision

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